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SLEEP NO MORE
THE LOST NIGHT FILES • BOOK 1
Jayne Ann Krentz
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #3 TITLE
Pallas Llewellyn, Talia March, and Amelia Rivers co-host a podcast called the Lost Night Files, where they investigate cold cases. After receiving a tip for their podcast, Pallas travels to Carnelian, California, to explore an abandoned asylum when she’s stopped by the women’s mysterious tipster. Ambrose Drake is positive something terrible happened at the Carnelian Sleep Institute the night he was there. Pallas and Ambrose conduct their investigation, and while the townsfolk are eager to share what they know, it turns out there are others who are not so happy about their questions — and someone is willing to kill to keep the truth from coming out.

Suspense Romance | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

THE VILLA ⭐⭐
A NOVEL
Rachel Hawkins
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
When Chess suggests a girls trip to Italy, Emily jumps at the chance. Villa Aestas is a high-end holiday home now, but in 1974 it was known as Villa Rosato and rented by rock star Noel Gordon. In an attempt to reignite his creative spark, Noel invites up-and-coming musician Pierce Sheldon to join him, as well as Pierce’s girlfriend, Mari, and her stepsister, Lara. A chain of events leads to Mari writing one of the greatest horror novels of all time, Lara composing a platinum album — and ends in Pierce’s murder. As secrets from the past come to light, dangerous betrayals from the present also emerge, and it begins to look like the villa will claim another victim.

Thriller | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

IN THE TIME OF OUR HISTORY
A NOVEL
Susanne Pari
“I fell in love with this jewel of a novel from the first page.” — Amy Tan, New York Times bestselling author of The Joy Luck Club
Twelve months after her sister Anahita’s death, Mitra Jahani returns to her parents’ home in New Jersey to observe the Iranian custom of “The One Year.” Ana is always in Mitra’s heart, though they chose very different paths. While Ana bowed to their father’s demands and married, Mitra rebelled and was banished. Caught in the middle is their mother, Shireen, torn between her love for her surviving daughter and her loyalty to her husband. Yet his callousness has compelled her to rethink her own submission. And when Mitra is forced to confront hard truths about her sister’s life, mother and daughter reach a new understanding — and forge an unexpected path forward.

General Fiction | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 5, 6, 7 & 8.
THE BOOK HATERS’ BOOK CLUB
A NOVEL
Gretchen Anthony

"An exuberant love song to the power of books, bookstores, and the durable community that they create. Laugh-out-loud funny, this book will restore hope to all those fearful for the survival of bookstores and libraries.” — Library Journal

All it takes is the right book to turn a Book Hater into a Book Lover. That was what Elliot — co-owner of Over the Rainbow Bookshop — believed before his untimely passing. Now his grief-ridden business partner, Irma, has agreed to sell Over the Rainbow to condo developers. But others won’t give up the bookshop without a fight. When Irma breaks the news to her daughters, Bree and Laney, and Elliot’s romantic partner, Thom, they are aghast. Over the Rainbow has been Bree and Laney’s sanctuary since childhood, and Thom would do anything to preserve Elliot’s legacy. Together they conspire to save the bookshop, even if it takes some snooping, gossip, and minor sabotage.

General Fiction | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 6, 7 & 8.

A TIDY ENDING ★★
A NOVEL
Joanna Cannon

"Sublimely structured and darkly witty . . . the multilayered plot offers genuine surprises up to the final revelation.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

Linda has lived in a quiet neighborhood since fleeing her childhood in Wales. Now she’s wondering if this is all there is: pushing the vacuum around and cooking fish sticks for dinner, a far cry from the glamorous lifestyle she sees in the magazines coming through the mail slot addressed to the previous occupant, Rebecca. Linda’s husband Terry starts keeping odd hours at work, at around the same time young women start to go missing. If only Linda could track down and befriend Rebecca, maybe she wouldn’t have to worry about what Terry is up to. But the grass isn’t always greener, and you can’t change who you really are. And some secrets can’t stay buried forever.

Thriller Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 7 & 8.

KILLERS OF A CERTAIN AGE ★★★★
A NOVEL
Deanna Raybourn

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
LIBRARY READS PICK

"[A] thriller featuring four skilled, well-trained women is a treat in a male-dominated genre. A fast-paced, explosive, fun novel.” — starred, Library Journal

Billie, Mary Alice, Helen, and Natalie have worked for the Museum, an elite network of assassins, for 40 years. When the foursome is sent on an all-expenses paid vacation to mark their retirement, they are targeted by one of their own. Only the Board, the top-level members of the Museum, can order the termination of field agents, and the women realize they’ve been marked for death. To get out alive they have to turn against the organization, relying on experience and each other to get the job done, knowing that working together is the secret to their survival. They’re about to teach the Board what it really means to be a woman — and a killer — of a certain age.

Thriller | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Basic 8.
MAYBE SOMEDAY
A NOVEL
Maybe Someday • Book 1
Colleen Hoover

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“[Maybe Someday] resonates with true emotion, unforgettable characters and just the right amount of sexual tension.” — Kirkus Reviews

At 22 years old, Sydney is enjoying life: She's in college, working a steady job, in love with her boyfriend, Hunter, and rooming with her best friend, Tori. But everything changes when she discovers that Hunter is cheating on her and she's forced to decide what her next move should be. Soon, Sydney finds herself captivated by her mysterious neighbor Ridge. She can't take her eyes off him or stop listening to the passionate way he plays his guitar every evening out on his balcony. And there's something about Sydney that Ridge can't ignore, either. They soon find themselves needing each other in more ways than one.

Contemporary Romance | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Core 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

MAYBE NOT
A NOVELLA
Maybe Someday • Book 2
Colleen Hoover

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

When Warren has the opportunity to live with a female roommate, he instantly agrees. It could be an exciting change. Or maybe not. Especially when that roommate is the cold and seemingly calculating Bridgette. Tensions run high and tempers flare as the two can hardly stand to be in the same room together. But Warren has a theory about Bridgette: anyone who can hate with that much passion should also have the capability to love with that much passion. And he wants to be the one to test this theory. Will Bridgette find it in herself to warm her heart to Warren and finally learn to love? Maybe. Maybe not.

Contemporary Romance | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Core 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.

MAYBE NOW
A NOVEL
Maybe Someday • Book 3
Colleen Hoover

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR'S CHOICE #6 TITLE

Ridge and Sydney are thrilled to finally be together guilt-free. But Warren and Bridgette's relationship is as tumultuous as ever, and Maggie grapples with her illness. When she comes across an old list of things she wanted to do, Maggie decides to live life to the fullest and accomplish these dreams. Maggie keeps Ridge updated on her adventures, but he can't help but worry, even as Sydney grows suspicious about their friendship. But if she's going to move past this jealousy, she'll need to reconcile how she and Ridge came together with the fact that Maggie will always be in their lives . . . or walk away from the man she loves.

Contemporary Romance | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Core 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.
PERIL IN PARIS
A Royal Spyness Mystery • Book 16
Rhys Bowen

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
As Darcy and I prepare to welcome a brand-new addition to our family, it is hard not to long for adventure before the baby comes. When I receive a letter from my friend Belinda, Darcy suggests we take a trip to visit her. Darcy has asked me to take on a small chore as a part of his latest assignment, but I discover that it could have terrifying consequences. When things go horribly wrong, I am left trying to fend off a policeman who is certain that I am a criminal mastermind. But I have no plans to deliver my little one in a prison cell, so I will muster every ounce of courage to save the day and, quite possibly, the world!

ISBN: 9798885781312 | $34.99 U.S.
Historical Fiction Mystery | Releases 1/4/2023
Available in Core 5, 6, 7 & 8.

THE WINTER GARDEN
Nicola Cornick

1605. Anne Catesby's son, Robert, is secretly plotting to kill the king. Anne must make a terrible choice: betray her only child or risk her family's security and her very life. Present day. When her dreams of becoming a musician are shattered, Lucy takes refuge in her family's ancestral home in Oxfordshire. Everyone knows it was originally home to the notorious Robert Catesby. As Lucy spends more time in the winter garden, she starts to have strange visions of a woman in Tudor dress, terrified and facing a heartbreaking dilemma. As Lucy's and Anne's stories converge, a secret that has echoed through the centuries separating them will change Lucy's life forever.

General Fiction | Releases 1/4/2023
Available in Core 7 & 8.

THE MATCHMAKER'S GIFT
A NOVEL
Lynda Cohen Loigman

“Loigman moves smoothly between the tales of her two spunky heroines and imparts historical details with a light touch. Readers are in for a treat.” — Publishers Weekly

Even as a child in 1910, Sara Glikman knows her gift: she is a maker of matches and a seeker of soulmates. But Sara’s vocation is dominated by older men who see a talented female matchmaker as a threat to their livelihood. Two generations later, Sara’s granddaughter, Abby, is a Manhattan divorce attorney, representing the city’s wealthiest clients. When Sara dies, Abby inherits her collection of handwritten journals. What did Abby’s grandmother hope Abby would discover within their pages? Is Abby willing to sacrifice the career she’s worked so hard for to keep her grandmother’s promise to a stranger? And is there really such a thing as love at first sight?

Historical Fiction | Releases 1/4/2023
Available in Core 6, 7 & 8.

DAUGHTER OF DARKNESS
Terry Brooks

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“Brooks weaves a fast-paced tale full of twists and turns while keeping the backstory clear and the worldbuilding concise.”
— Publishers Weekly

It’s been two years since Auris escaped from the Goblin prison and learned of her heritage as one of the Fae. She is now happily partnered with her Fae lover, Harrow, and bonded with her new family. All seems to be going perfectly, until the Goblin attacks begin again. Someone has not forgotten that Auris exists and seems determined to retrieve her. As Auris digs into the mystery, she starts to realize that her past must contain the answers she needs. But even Auris does not suspect how far down the rabbit hole she is about to go, until Harrow is taken. Auris must unlock the remaining secrets of her past. For if she cannot, she will never see Harrow alive again.

Fantasy | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Core 8.
TICK TOCK
Sisterhood • Book 34
Fern Michaels
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
EDITOR’S CHOICE #6 TITLE
The women of the Sisterhood have developed a motto: “Whatever it takes.” Regardless of how dangerous an adversary may be, the group’s devotion to each other and to their cause has helped them achieve the seemingly impossible. But in the course of their official careers and their top-secret missions, the Sisterhood have acquired enemies. On their trail is a vicious felon with scores to settle and a network of accomplices willing to do his bidding, for a price. Myra knows it’s time to summon the others and figure out how to take the fight to the enemy’s door. Because no one targets one of their own and gets away with it.


THE WIDOW
Kaira Rouda
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“This is a guilty-pleasure read, laden with silver-tongued politicians who revel in their duplicitous dance with the truth. It’s a deliciously diabolical take on marriage, politics, and the lies that bind.” — Library Journal
Jody Asher had a plan. Her husband, Martin, would be a political icon. She, the charming wife, would fuel his success. For 15 congressional terms, they were the golden couple on the Hill. Life was good. Until he wasn’t. Martin’s secret affair with a young staffer doesn’t bother Jody personally. But professionally? It’s a legacy killer. Soon a reporter gets word of this scandal in the making, and Martin’s indiscretions threaten to ruin everything Jody has accomplished. When Martin suddenly dies, it’s a chance to change the narrative, and there’s nothing the ruthless widow won’t do to secure the future she’s entitled to. Even if she has a secret of her own.


SECRETS OF THE NILE
A Lady Emily Mystery • Book 16
Tasha Alexander
“Fans of avant-garde women sleuths, Dame Agatha, and plot-driven mysteries will enjoy this twisty read.” — Library Journal
Lady Emily and her husband, Colin Hargreaves, have joined his mother on a holiday to Egypt. Their host, Lord Bertram Deeley, is a collector of antiquities who has invited his friends on a cruise up the Nile. But on the first night of their journey, he collapses after offering a toast, a victim of cyanide. Emily and Colin’s investigation reveals that even his closest friends had reasons to want him dead. A key clue may lie with several sculptures that played a role in a hidden story from the time of Ancient Egypt. In an unforgettable finale, Emily and Colin unmask a killer whose motive is as shocking as it is brilliant.

JOAN
A NOVEL OF JOAN OF ARC
Katherine J. Chen

“[A] good choice for historical fiction readers who are curious for a unique perspective on the saint, one which may serve as an entry point to learn more about her life.” — Library Journal

1412. France is mired in a losing war against England. Its people are starving. Its king is in hiding. From this chaos emerges a teenage girl who will turn the tide of battle and lead the French to victory, becoming an unlikely hero whose name will echo across the centuries. In Katherine J. Chen’s hands, the myth and legend of Joan of Arc is transformed into a flesh-and-blood young woman. With unforgettable vivid characters, transporting settings, and action-packed storytelling, Joan is a thrilling epic as well as a feminist celebration of one remarkable woman who left an indelible mark on history.

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Historical Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023

THE HALF LIFE OF VALERY K
A NOVEL
Natasha Pulley

“Scientific research, KGB shenanigans, queer love, and the heartache of suffering children are just a few of the enriching intricacies Pulley traces with intelligent wit and confident narration.” — Library Journal

In 1963, in a Siberian prison, former nuclear specialist Valery Kolkhanov has mastered what it takes to survive. But one day, Valery’s university mentor sweeps him from the frozen camp to a mysterious city. It houses nuclear reactors, and surrounding it is a forest so damaged it looks like the trees have rusted from within. In City 40, Valery is expected to serve out his prison term studying the effect of radiation on animals. But Valery is struck by the questions his research raises. Why is there so much radiation in this area? What is being hidden from the thousands who live in the town? And if he keeps looking for answers, will he live to serve out his sentence?

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Historical Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023

MADLY, DEEPLY
THE DIARIES OF ALAN RICKMAN
Alan Rickman

Alan Rickman remains one of the most beloved actors of all time. His air of dignity, his sonorous voice, and the knowing wit he brought to each role have captivated viewers across the centuries. In Madly, Deeply, Rickman details the extraordinary and the ordinary in a way that is “utterly candid.” He grants us access to his thoughts and insights on theater performances, the craft of acting, politics, friendships, work projects, and his general musings on life.

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Biography | Releases 1/4/2023

DIRTBAG, MASSACHUSETTS
A CONFESSIONAL
Isaac Fitzgerald

Isaac Fitzgerald has been an altar boy, a bartender, a fat kid, a smuggler, a biker, a prince of New England. But before all that, he was a bomb that exploded his parents’ lives — or so he was told. In Dirtbag, Massachusetts, Fitzgerald recounts his ongoing search for a more expansive definition of family and self. From growing up in a Boston homeless shelter to bartending in San Francisco, from smuggling medical supplies into Burma to his struggle to make peace with his body, Fitzgerald strives to put aside anger, isolation, and entitlement to embrace the idea that one can be generous to oneself by being generous to others.

Biography | Releases 1/4/2023
ATTENTION SPAN
A GROUNDBREAKING WAY TO RESTORE BALANCE, HAPPINESS AND PRODUCTIVITY
Gloria Mark, PhD
We spend an average of just 47 seconds on any screen before shifting our attention. It takes 25 minutes to bring our attention back to a task after an interruption. And we interrupt ourselves more than we’re interrupted by others. In Attention Span, psychologist Gloria Mark reveals these and more surprising results from her decades of research into how technology affects our attention. This book reveals how we can take control, not only to find more success in our careers, but also to find health and wellness in our everyday lives.

Nonfiction | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Nonfiction 2 & 3.

FEN, BOG & SWAMP ★
A SHORT HISTORY OF PEATLAND DESTRUCTION AND ITS ROLE IN THE CLIMATE CRISIS
Annie Proulx
"[Proulx's] eye for folly is sharply trained on the long record of ruinous drainage 'projects.' But while there are many occasions for eco-grief in the book, there are also glimmers of hope. Fans of Proulx's fiction . . . will be intrigued by the snippets of memoir and the habits of a writer's mind that this collection reveals."
— Library Journal
A lifelong environmentalist, Annie Proulx brings her wide-ranging research and scholarship to the subject of wetlands and the vital role they play in preserving the environment. Fens, bogs, swamps, and marine estuaries are the earth’s most desirable and dependable resources, and Proulx documents the long-misunderstood role of these wetlands in saving the planet. This is a stunningly important work and a rousing call to action by a writer whose passionate devotion to understanding and preserving the environment is on full and glorious display.

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Nonfiction | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Nonfiction 2 & 3.

THE SONG OF THE CELL ★★
AN EXPLORATION OF MEDICINE AND THE NEW HUMAN
Siddhartha Mukherjee
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“A luminous journey into cellular biology . . . Another outstanding addition to the author’s oeuvre.”
— starred, Kirkus Reviews
The discovery of cells — and the reframing of the human body as a cellular ecosystem — announced the birth of a new kind of medicine based on the therapeutic manipulations of cells. In The Song of the Cell, Mukherjee tells the story of how scientists discovered cells, began to understand them, and are now using that knowledge to create new humans. Told in six parts, laced with Mukherjee’s own experience as a researcher, doctor, and prolific reader, The Song of the Cell is both panoramic and intimate — a masterpiece.

Medical | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Nonfiction 3.
LITTLE EVE
Catriona Ward
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
LIBRARY READS PICK
"Ward’s skillful weaving of horror and mystery forms a dense, rich tapestry . . . The play of imagery is as engrossing as the plot twists, making this a rewarding outing from any angle. Horror fans won’t want to miss this." — starred, Publishers Weekly
“A great day is upon us. He is coming. The world will be washed away.” On the wind-battered isle of Altnaharra, off the wildest coast of Scotland, a clan prepares to bring about the end of the world and its imminent rebirth. The Adder is coming and one of their number will inherit its powers. They all want the honor, but young Eve is willing to do anything for the distinction. A reckoning beyond Eve’s imagination begins when Chief Inspector Black arrives to investigate a brutal murder and their sacred ceremony goes terribly wrong. And soon all the secrets of Altnaharra will be uncovered.
Horror | Releases 1/18/2023

NEVER NAME THE DEAD
A NOVEL
A Mud Sawpole Mystery • Book One
D. M. Rowell (Koyh Mi O Boy Dah)
No one called her Mud in Silicon Valley. There, she was Mae, a professional who had left her Kiowa roots behind. But a voice message from her grandfather telling her to come home sounds so wrong that she catches the next plane to Oklahoma. Mud discovers a tribe in disarray. Fracking is damaging their ancestral lands, Kiowa families are being forced to sell off their artifacts, and frackers have threatened to kill her grandfather over his water rights. When Mud discovers her grandfather missing, accused of stealing the Jefferson Peace medal from the tribe museum, Mud sets out to clear his name. But she has no idea that a murderer is on her trail.
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Thriller | Releases 1/18/2023

THE LOST KINGS
A NOVEL
Tyrell Johnson
A NEW YORK TIMES EDITOR’S CHOICE
"Johnson’s use of psychological terminology and his personal love of poetry are sprinkled throughout the story, and the realistic characters are emotional and imperfect, which will leave readers feeling empathy and surprise at the same time.” — Library Journal
Stuck in a cabin in rural Washington with their alcoholic father, Jeanie and Jamie King cling to one another for safety and companionship. Until one night, when their father comes home covered in blood. The next day, he is gone, and so is Jamie. Jeanie’s world is turned upside down. Not only has she lost her brother, but she is ripped from everything she knows, including Maddox, the boy she could be learning to love. Twenty years later, Jeanie’s old life catches up to her when Maddox reappears, claiming to have tracked down her dad. Stunned, Jeanie must decide whether to confront her father and finally find out what happened that night and where her brother is.
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Thriller | Releases 1/18/2023
DEVIL'S DELIGHT
An Agatha Raisin Mystery
M. C. Beaton and R. W. Green
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Agatha and her assistant, Toni, are driving to their friend Bill Wong's wedding when a terrified young man comes running down the country lane toward them wearing nothing at all. The encounter leads them to become embroiled with a naturist group, a disappearing corpse, fantasy games, witchcraft, an ice cream empire, intrigue, and murder. In the meantime, Agatha's private detective agency is as busy as ever and her private affairs are in turmoil. But when she begins to close in on a suspected murderer, she finds herself in deadly peril, as the sinister nature of the ice cream business leads her to a chilling conclusion.


HELL AND BACK
A Longmire Mystery
Craig Johnson
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“A mystical thriller that offers a wild ride through a thoroughly altered reality.” — Kirkus Reviews
What if you woke up lying in the middle of the street in Fort Pratt, Montana, where 30 young Native boys perished in an 1896 boarding-school fire? What if every person you encountered in that endless night was dead? What if you were covered in blood and missing a bullet from the gun holstered on your hip? What if there was something out there the Northern Cheyenne refer to as the Éveohsé-heómëse, the Taker of Souls? What if the only way you know who you are is because your name is printed in the leather sweatband of your cowboy hat, and what if it says your name is Walt Longmire . . . but you don't remember him?

ISBN: 9798885785488 | $34.99 U.S.
Mystery | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Mystery 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

FORSaken COUNTRY
Allen Eskens
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“Eskens provides an irresistible hook, a clever spin on a classic suspense plot, and a series of expertly escalating confrontations.” — Publishers Weekly
Max Rupert has left his position as a Minneapolis homicide detective to live in solitude. But then the former sheriff, Lyle Voight, arrives with a plea: Lyle’s daughter Sandy and his six-year-old grandson Pip have disappeared. Lyle’s certain Sandy’s ex-husband Reed is behind it, but the new sheriff is refusing to investigate. The closer Max and Lyle get to finding proof, the more slippery Reed becomes, until he makes a break for the Boundary Waters wilderness with Pip in tow. Racing after the most dangerous kind of criminal — a desperate father — Max and Lyle go on the hunt, determined to bring an evil man to justice and to bring a terrified child home alive.

THE SECRETS WE SHARE ★
Edwin Hill
“This suspenseful story will have readers careening from one erroneous conclusion to the next.”
— starred, Library Journal
At first glance, Natalie Cavanaugh and Glenn Abbott hardly look like sisters. Even off-duty, Natalie dresses like a Boston cop, preferring practical clothes and unfussy, pinned-up hair. Her younger sister, Glenn, seems tailor-made for the spotlight, from her signature red mane to her camera-ready smile. When a dead body is found in an abandoned building, Natalie starts to wonder how much Glenn really knows about the people closest to her. But are there also secrets Natalie has yet to uncover about those she herself trusts?

MOTHER DAUGHTER TRAITOR SPY ★
A NOVEL
Susan Elia MacNeal
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“MacNeal provides a sobering reminder that pernicious elements can lie very close to home.”
— Publishers Weekly
June 1940. France has fallen to the Nazis, but to many Americans, the war is something happening “over there.” Veronica Grace and her mother, Violet, are looking for a fresh start. Veronica is relieved to take a typing job in L.A., only to realize that she’s working for one of the area’s most vicious propagandists. After the FBI dismisses the Graces’ concerns, Veronica and Violet decide to go undercover to gather information about the California Reich. But as the news of Pearl Harbor ripples through the United States, and President Roosevelt declares war, the Grace women realize that the plots they’re investigating are far more sinister than they feared.

THE ECHOES ★
A NOVEL
The Kinship Series
Jess Montgomery
“An evocative and beautifully written tale of hardship, love, and kinship.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews
As July 4, 1928, approaches, Sheriff Lily Ross and her family look forward to the opening of an amusement park in a nearby town, created by Chalmer Fitzpatrick — a veteran and lumber mill owner. When Lily is alerted to the possible drowning of a girl, she discovers schisms going back several generations in an ongoing dispute over the land on which Fitzpatrick has built the park. Not only that, but a young woman is found murdered on Fitzpatrick’s property at the same time a baby is left on his doorstep. As the two crimes interweave, Lily must confront the question of what makes family: can we trust those we love?
A DARK AND SNOWY NIGHT
A Seaside Knitters Society Mystery
Sally Goldenbaum
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
The holidays are kicking off in style at Mayor Beatrice Scaglia’s holiday party, where a crowd admires the mayor’s new home and the celebrity chef catering the event. An additional treat for Ben and Nell Endicott is reconnecting with a college friend, Oliver Bishop. But before the partygoers can toast the festive season, the chef — and wife of the Endicotts’ friend — is found dead beneath the mistletoe. Izzy, Birdie, Nell, and Cass must uncover the pattern to these mysteries to bring a murderer to justice — and keep Sea Harbor’s holiday magic from vanishing into the winter air.

Cozy Mystery | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 3 & 4.

SEAMS LIKE MURDER
A Sewing Studio Mystery
Dorothy Howell
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Abbey Chandler has barely arrived in Hideaway Grove before things turn from blissful to bloody as the new librarian is mowed down by a car. The only witness on the scene isn’t much help, aside from handing Abbey the bag of books dropped by the victim. Even worse, the sheriff’s office seizes Abbey’s car because of a suspicious dent in the right front fender. Through it all, she keeps looking for patterns and possible conflicts in the late librarian’s personal, professional, and romantic life. Then a shocking discovery sends her in a new direction, and as the truth begins to unspool, she’s got a notion about who’s guilty.

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Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 3 & 4.

BUT KNOT FOR ME
A Yarn Retreat Mystery
Betty Hechtman
“Good friends, good food, and a murder combine in a delightful holiday cozy.” — Kirkus Reviews
When a charismatic life coach and his devoted followers descend on Vista Del Mar, Casey Feldstein and the yarn retreat group she’s hosting literally get pushed aside. But Casey can’t help overhearing the rancorous argument between two members of the guru’s staff, and when one of them turns up dead, Casey finds herself tangled up in a murder investigation. And when another staff member turns up dead and Casey narrowly escapes an early demise of her own, she knows she’ll have to unravel the clues quickly to catch a killer who may be feeling more empowered than even the guru intended.

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MURDER AT THE LOBSTAH SHACK
A Cozy Capers Book Group Mystery
Maddie Day
Tulia Peters’ Lobstah Shack offers some of Cape Cod’s most amazing cuisine. But when the body of Annette DiCicero is discovered in the kitchen’s walk-in freezer, spoiled appetites are the least of Tulia’s worries. After a heated public argument with Annette, Tulia is a person of interest in the police’s investigation. To clear Tulia’s name, Mackenzie “Mac” Almeida snoops into Annette’s personal life. Between her husband, his business partner, and two women tied to Annette’s past life, there are several suspects. And they’re getting crabby about Mac intruding on their affairs.

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Available in Softcover Cozy Mysteries 4.
SWEET, SOFT, PLENTY RHYTHM
A NOVEL
Laura Warrell
“Warrell plays her exceptional first novel with plenty of rhythm and tenderness, delivered in brisk, mordantly gorgeous language that has its own natural flow.” — starred, Library Journal

Circus Palmer, a 40-year-old trumpet player and old-school ladies’ man, lives for his music and refuses to be tied down. Before a gig in Miami, he learns that the woman who is secretly closest to his heart, the free-spirited drummer Maggie, is pregnant by him. Circus flees, setting off a chain of revelations from the various women in his life. Most notable among them is his teenage daughter, Koko, who idolizes him and is awakening to her own sexuality. Warrell spins a provocative and gripping story of fathers and daughters, wives and single women, and hope and reconciliation, in answer to the age-old question: how do we find belonging when love is unrequited?

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HOLD YOU DOWN
Tracy Brown
“Brown’s dramatic page-turner is . . . female-focused urban fiction with heart.” — Booklist
Mercy and Lenox Howard have always only had each other. Now young, smart mothers they are determined to survive in New York City while raising their two sons. Mercy pours her heart into her cooking and her dream of owning her own restaurant. Lenox is the wild child looking for excitement in life and love. Their boys, Deon and Judah, have been raised more like brothers than cousins, forging a bond that is unbreakable. When Lenox heads down a path that she believes will bring success and power, it changes the entire course of her and her family’s life forever. As a result of their mother’s choices, Deon and Judah soon find themselves in uncharted territory.

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Available in Black Voices 2, 3 & 4.

WHAT WE FOUND IN HALLELUJAH
Vanessa Miller
“A dramatic plot and uplifting resolution . . . The result is a potent testament to the power of faith and family in the face of tragedy.” — Publishers Weekly
Good things never happen in November for the Reynolds women, so Hope Reynolds isn’t surprised when it becomes the month she walks in on her boyfriend kissing another woman. Or when she receives a call from her mother about a mistake that could cost the family their beach house. Meanwhile, Faith Reynolds-Phillips is looking down the barrel of divorce and raising a daughter. The last place Hope and Faith want to be is in Hallelujah, South Carolina, during hurricane season. Going home will force them to confront the secrets that have torn their family apart. But if they can survive another storm, they’ll have a chance to rebuild on a new foundation — the truth.

General Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Black Voices 4.
BEACH READ
A NOVEL
Emily Henry
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
LIBRARY READS PICK
INDIE NEXT PICK
“A heartfelt look at taking second chances, in life and in love.” — Kirkus Reviews
Augustus Everett is an acclaimed author of literary fiction. January Andrews writes bestselling romance. The only thing they have in common is that for the next three months, they’re living in neighboring beach houses, broke, and bogged down with writer’s block. Until, one evening, they strike a deal designed to force them out of their creative ruts: Augustus will spend the summer writing something happy, and January will pen the next Great American Novel. She’ll take him on field trips worthy of any rom-com montage, and he’ll take her to interview surviving members of a backwoods death cult. Everyone will finish a book and no one will fall in love. Really.
Contemporary Romance | Releases 1/18/2023

EVEN THE DOG KNOWS
A NOVEL
Jason F. Wright
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Meg Gorton finds herself alone and lonely in Florida. Three years earlier, she told her husband, Gary, where he could find her and asked him to take care of Moses, their black Labrador. She’d tried to talk Gary into moving. They both needed a fresh start after a painful loss. Now, Meg has a plan to finally bring Gary to Gulf Breeze. She wants him to bring Moses to Florida so she can see Moses one last time. Although Moses is just a dog, it doesn’t take long for him to learn they are going on a road trip to see Meg. He misses her and senses Gary’s loneliness. He also knows he’s an old dog and that his time is near, but there are still important things only he can do.
General Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023

THE MAKING OF US
A NOVEL
Lisa Jewell
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“Filled with heart and humor, this latest from British bestseller Jewell raises all those big questions about identity, family and fitting in.” — Kirkus Reviews
Lydia, Dean, and Robyn don’t know one another. Yet. Each is facing difficult challenges. Lydia is still wearing the scars from her traumatic childhood. Dean is a young, unemployed, single dad. Robyn is eighteen. She entered her first year of college confident of her dream to become a pediatrician. Now she’s failing her classes. Lydia, Dean, and Robyn live very different lives, but each of them has always felt that something was missing. What they don’t know is that a letter is about to arrive that will turn their lives upside down. It is a letter containing a secret that will bind them together and show them what love and family and friendship really mean.
Women’s Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023
COMING HOME
A Woodland Park Firefighters Romance • Book 1
Shelley Shepard Gray
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
In Woodland Park, Anderson Kelly and Chelsea Davis were once the high school “it” couple. They broke up when Anderson joined the army and one poor decision at a fraternity party changed Chelsea’s life. Now, she works long shifts in a senior center to support her nine-year-old son, Jack. After multiple tours in Afghanistan, Anderson has changed, too — physically scarred but mentally strong — and he decides to move back to Woodland Park. Anderson and Chelsea steer clear of each other to avoid reopening old wounds, until they are forced to reconnect through the senior center. They soon discover that the love they once shared never completely vanished. But it will take a fire, a dangerous collision, and the love of one little boy to help Anderson and Chelsea see that the future they’ve always yearned for is in sight.

Christian Romance | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

WEDDING SEASON
The Carolina Girls • Book 3
Michelle Major
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Mariella Jacob is trying to get her career back on track in Magnolia, North Carolina. With a secondhand store and a new business venture helping her friends turn the Wildflower Inn into a wedding venue, Mariella is putting at least one mistake behind her. Until that mistake — in the glowing, handsome form of Alex Ralsten — moves to Magnolia too. Mariella ruined Alex’s wedding by announcing that his bride-to-be was sleeping with Mariella’s fiancé. Though Alex keeps reminding himself that they’re enemies, something deeper is growing . . . daring them to admit that a rocky past might lead to something unexpectedly wonderful.

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Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

WHEN IT FALLS APART
The D'Angelos • Book 1
Catherine Bybee
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Brooke Turner has always had a complicated relationship with her father. But when his health takes a turn for the worse, she drops everything to care for him. What Brooke doesn't anticipate is a cross-country move to San Diego. Luca D'Angelo is the oldest of three children and a single father to a young daughter. When his mother rents the top floor of their house to Brooke, he's angry. As Luca learns of Brooke's difficult journey, his heart softens. And Brooke, who witnesses Luca's struggle as a single parent, develops feelings for him, too. But when it all falls apart, will love heal their wounded hearts?

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Available in Romance 2, 3 & 4.

THE FOREVER FARMHOUSE
A SMALL TOWN ROMANCE
Hometown Brothers • Book 1
Lee Tobin McClain
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“McClain pits her charming, authentic characters against the realistic problems of everyday life, making for a story that is deeply emotional but never soapy.” — starred, Publishers Weekly

When Ryan Hastings first came to Teaberry Island, he was a troubled teen. He’s returning as a renowned scientist, checking in on his widowed foster mother. But one thing hasn’t changed — Ryan’s feelings for the girl he loved and left. Mellie Anderson has a son now and a good life. But Ryan knows he can help young Alfie, who’s getting picked on at school. Mellie is grateful her son is getting extra support, but Ryan has no idea he’s Alfie’s father. Could Ryan ever understand why she didn’t tell him? In this close-knit community, friendship and forgiveness are always near at hand, and love might be waiting just next door.

Christian Romance | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Romance 4.
A HUNDRED CRICKETS SINGING
Cathy Gohlke

1944. When a storm rips through the Belvidere attic in No Creek, North Carolina, exposing a hidden room and trunk long forgotten, secrets dating back to the Civil War are revealed. Celia Percy suspects the truth could transform the future for her friend Marshall, whose ancestors were once enslaved by the Belvidere family. 1861. Minnie Belvidere works desperately to keep her household running and her family together as North Carolina secedes. As the country and her own home are torn in two, Minnie risks her life and her future in a fight to gain liberty and land for those her parents intended to free, before it's too late.


SOMETHING OLD, SOMETHING NEW
Amy Clipston

In the decade since high school graduation, Christine Sawyer has realized her dream of opening Treasure Hunting Antique Mall. She's happy with her life, if a bit lonely. Brent Nicholson is still trying to come to grips with the shambles his life has become. So when his aunt asks for help readying her home to put it on the market, the opportunity is a balm to his soul. The antiques Brent finds in his aunt's house lead him to Christine. As they sift through things of the past, Christine and Brent learn to let go of the pieces they don't want to bring into the future — and realize the value of what's in front of them today.


THE LOST MELODY
Joanna Davidson Politano

When concert pianist Vivienne Mourdant's father dies, he leaves to her the care of a patient at Hurstwell Asylum. Vivienne had no idea the woman existed, yet her portrait is shockingly familiar. When the asylum claims she was never a patient there, Vivienne is compelled to discover what happened to the figure she remembers from childhood dreams. The longer she lingers at Hurstwell, the fuzzier the line between sanity and madness becomes. She hears music no one else does, receives strange missives with rose petals between the pages, and untangles far more than is safe for her to know. Is there anyone at Hurstwell she can trust with her suspicions?

**A GEM OF TRUTH**
Secrets of the Canyon • Book 2
Kimberley Woodhouse

“A straightforward moral lesson makes this a solid inspirational historical.” — Publishers Weekly

Longing for a fresh start and a second chance, Julia Schultz takes a job as a Harvey Girl at the El Tovar Hotel, where she’s challenged to be her true self. Learning the trade of a master jeweler is hard work, but Christopher Miller takes pride in running his family’s shop. When he discovers that he has six weeks to buy his building from his landlord before it is sold, he must find a way to save his grandfather’s legacy. United by the discovery of a legendary treasure, Chris and Julia find hope in each other. But when Julia’s past catches up with her, doubt creeps into Chris heart. Can he really trust her?


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**ROOTS OF WOOD AND STONE**
Sedgwick County Chronicles • Book 1
Amanda Wen

When a donor drops off a dusty old satchel, historical museum curator Sloane Kelley doesn’t expect much from the artifact, until she finds real treasure inside: a 19th-century diary. Garrett Anderson just wanted to clean out his grandmother’s farmhouse before selling it. But his plan runs up against two obstacles: Sloane, who’s fallen in love with the diaries and the house, and his own heart, which is irresistibly drawn to Sloane. Paging through the diaries takes Sloane and Garrett on a journey they never could have planned, which will change them in ways they never imagined.

HER HEART’S DESIRE
A Season in Pinecraft • Book 1
Shelley Shepard Gray

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Mary Margaret Miller boards a bus for a vacation in Pinecraft, Florida. Meeting Betsy and Lilly on the way, she’s amazed to find two kindred spirits. They become fast friends and determine to have the best two weeks of their lives. For Mary, it starts when she meets Jayson Raber. The charming carpenter is taken by Mary from the get-go, but he has responsibilities back home in Kentucky — including a girl he’s supposed to marry. When someone from Mary’s past shows up in Pinecraft, it seems like her perfect vacation is ruined. But that’s nothing compared to what’s coming when she realizes what Jayson has been hiding.

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Amish Fiction | Releases 1/4/2023 | Available in Christian Fiction 2, 3, 4 & 5.

TARGETED
THREE ROMANTIC SUSPENSE NOVELLAS

Lynette Eason, Lynn H. Blackburn, Natalie Walters

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

In On the Run, Daria Nevsky must go on the run to find out who wants her dead — and Dr. Ryker Donahue refuses to let her do it alone. In Deadly Objective, when the vice president’s son enters the crosshairs of a killer, some lines will have to be crossed to keep him safe. In Caught in the Crosshairs, there is no love lost between former Army PSYOPS officer Ari Blackman and CIA officer Claudia Gallegos after Claudia is implicated in the murder of a Saudi prince. But to prevent a coup that would put America at risk, they’ll have to learn to trust each other before it’s too late.


THE PREMONITION AT WITHERS FARM
Jaime Jo Wright

“Wright excels at wringing the eeriness out of her premise and elegantly weaving the thoughtful meditations on what happens after death into the fast-paced murder mystery.” — Publishers Weekly

In 1910 Michigan, Perliett Van Hilton is a self-proclaimed rural healer, leaving the local doctor convinced she practices quackery. But when Perliett is targeted by a superstitious killer, she must rely on both the local doctor and an intriguing newcomer for assistance. In the present day, Molly Wasziak is adapting to her husband’s purchase of an old farm. A search for a family tree pulls Molly into a century-old murder case and a web of deception. Perliett fights for her life, and Molly seeks renewed purpose for hers as she uncovers the records of the dead. Will their voices be heard, or will time forever silence their truths?

THE BRILLIANCE OF STARS
A Jack and Ivy Novel • Book1
J’nell Ciesielski

"[A] captivating and immersive tale of espionage and romance amid the dangers of WWI." — Publishers Weekly

Washington, D.C., 1914. When destiny thrusts Ivy Olwen into the nest of a covert agency of assassins, she acquires a new set of lethal skills, but it's the hours she spends stargazing on the roof with Agent Jack Vale that make her heart fly. When the pair is sent on a mission to take down Russia's newest and most dangerous arms dealer, they discover that no amount of training could have prepared them for a manhunt that takes them across the frozen tundra, to the Crimean Peninsula, and along the Trans-Siberian Railway only to discover that there is evil in the world they are just beginning to understand.


ANGEL OF THE L TRAIN
A NOVEL
Penelope Marzec

When Thea Ahern lands a job at LetSlip, a gossip magazine, she takes it even though it will mean hiding her heritage. When she helps a man on the subway, she's hailed as the Angel of the L Train, and people notice her striking resemblance to a once famous actress. This sparks a renewed interest in Paris Hulette. What happened to the actress after her husband shot her? And is Thea Ahern really the actress's daughter? Thea's coworker, John, shields Thea from the ensuing media frenzy. But LetSlip's CEO orders John to investigate Thea. When the CEO is murdered, John's past is revealed. Can Thea ever trust him again? And can he ever be forgiven for what he's done?

THE AMISH MATCHMAKER’S CHOICE
Redemption’s Amish Legacies • Book 6
Patricia Johns
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Widow Adel Draschel refuses to marry again, but that won’t stop her from playing matchmaker for her old schoolmate Jake Knussli. After a decade with the English, Jake’s six-month time limit to marry so he can inherit his uncle’s farm is quickly running out. Finding him the perfect wife won’t be easy . . . especially when Adel might just be his perfect match.
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THE FORGIVING QUILT
The Shadow Lake Series • Book 2
Lenora Worth
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR
Eliza King has a broken heart, and thanks to a rickety ladder, she now has a broken leg too. Ever since a brief romance ended, Eliza has sought refuge in reading books and tending to her horses. Being incapacitated makes the latter impossible. But her doctor knows an Amish man looking for just such work. Eliza is shocked to discover that the man is Levi Lapp, the very boy who humiliated her, now all grown up. Levi wants to earn Eliza’s forgiveness, even if he can’t win back her heart. Soon Eliza can see Levi’s caring spirit plainly before her and the possibility that he might just be the best thing for her horses — and for her.
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YESTERDAY’S GONE
Cindy Woodsmall and Erin Woodsmall
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“The time travel conceit offers a fresh spin on the Amish romance genre, and Christians will appreciate the message of trusting God through hard times. This is well worth readers’ time.” — Publishers Weekly
Eliza Bontrager and Jesse Ebersol are determined to marry, despite the belief that there’s a hidden curse that shows up when an Ebersol and Bontrager marry. On the day of the wedding, Eliza’s great-aunt gives her an heirloom quilt and tells her she may use it to change one event in the past. Years later, mourning the loss of their third child, Eliza discovers her inability to deliver a healthy baby is genetic. She decides that if she can go back in time and reject Jesse’s proposal, she can save him the heartache of a childless marriage. But once she puts her plan into action, she discovers the true impact of her decision.
Amish Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023
DEATH OF A KNIT WIT
A Knit & Nibble Mystery • Book 8
Peggy Ehrhart

“[O]ne of the best in the series.” — Kirkus Reviews

Pamela Paterson has organized a knitting bee as part of a conference on fiber arts and crafts at Wendelstaff College. But when pompous Professor Robert Greer-Gordon Critter, the keynote speaker at the conference, crashes the bee, he seems more interested in flirting than knitting. After coffee and cookies are served, the professor suddenly collapses, seemingly poisoned — but how? Everyone had the coffee and cookies. Joined by her bestie Bettina and the Knit and Nibble ladies, Pamela sorts through everything to unravel the means and motives of a killer dead set on teaching the professor a lesson.

Cozy Mystery | Releases 1/18/2023

THE INN ON MIRROR LAKE
Highland Falls • Book 4
Debbie Mason

“Small-town romance fans will be thrilled.” — Publishers Weekly

Elliana MacLeod has come home to whip the Mirror Lake Inn into tip-top shape. She can't refuse Nathan Black's offer to fix up the inn, even if the gorgeous law enforcement officer has made it abundantly clear he considers her a friend, and nothing more. Nate knows he's not cut out for long-term relationships or white picket fences, and that's what Ellie deserves. Yet keeping her at arm's length is nearly impossible, especially once they're working — and living — side-by-side. The more time he spends with Ellie, the more he wants. When Ellie's ex returns to town, has Nate missed his chance with the woman of his dreams?

Christian Romance | Releases 1/18/2023

THE TRUE LOVE BOOKSHOP ⭐️
Somerset Lake • Book 4
Annie Rains

USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“The strength of River and Tess's bond and the intensity of their chemistry make a familiar trope feel fresh.” — Publishers Weekly

For Tess Lane, the weekly book club she hosts has been her lifeline over the past three years since her husband's mysterious death. Tess has tried to move on, but when River Harrison shows up on her doorstep, all her lingering questions come rushing back. River was her husband's best friend and seeing him again is a reminder of everything Tess lost. But this is her chance to find the answers that have troubled her for years. When secrets surrounding her husband's death are finally revealed, can Tess find it in her heart to forgive the mistakes of the past and maybe even open herself up to love again?

Christian Romance | Releases 1/18/2023
THE COBBLER OF SPANISH FORT AND OTHER FRONTIER STORIES
Johnny D. Boggs
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
The Cobbler of Spanish Fort, published here for the first time, kicks off this collection of short fiction by Johnny D. Boggs. A Piano at Dead Man's Crossing tells the story of an Arizona frontier family from the viewpoint of an upright grand piano. A Comanche warrior imprisoned at Florida’s Fort Marion attempts to paint his way to freedom in Comanche Camp at Dawn; Buffalo Bill Cody and his wife fight it out to save their marriage in The Cody War; and Wild Bill Hickok umpires a baseball game in Kansas City in Umpire Colt.

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Available in Hardcover Westerns 1, 2, 3 & 4.

THE FLEECING OF FORT GRIFFIN
Preston Lewis
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
When the young Englishman Baron Jerome Manchester Paget arrives in 1878 Fort Griffin with a satchel full of money to start a buffalo ranch and find a bride, a horde of colorful swindlers from throughout Texas arrive to help him. With a passel of oddball characters and more twists and turns than a stagecoach trail, The Fleecing of Fort Griffin pits the baron against crooked gamblers, a one-eyed gunfighter, a savvy marshal, conniving females, and a worldly stump preacher. To stay rich, the baron must stay alive!

Western | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Hardcover Westerns 2, 3 & 4.

THE FIRES OF BLACKSTONE
A Buck Trammel Western • Book 4
William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS
"King" Charles Hagen is dead. The empire he carved out of Blackstone, Wyoming, now lies in the hands of his children. Caleb Hagen has long stood in his father’s shadow, ready to stake his claim. Bart Hagen plans to expand the family legacy. Debora Hagen believes the time has come for a queen to reign over the Hagen kingdom. Adam, their estranged brother, has a different plan to tear down everything “King” Hagen built. Blackstone has been ruled by lawlessness long enough. The town is Buck Trammel’s jurisdiction. And he will protect it as judge, jury, and executioner.

Western | Releases 1/18/2023
Available in Hardcover Westerns 3 & 4.

THE END OF NOWHERE
Patrick Dearen
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR
TEXAS LITERARY HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE
It’s 1917, and the Mexican Revolution has the Big Bend of Texas aflame. Disillusioned, newspaper reporter Jack Landon flees down the road to nowhere and finds himself in Esperanza. Jack befriends a teenaged boy and his adult sister, Mary, who teaches in the Esperanza school. Smitten by her, Jack accepts a position as teacher of the older students. As Jack assimilates to life in Esperanza, the threat of Rangers looms, manifesting itself in extortion and physical assault. When bandits raid nearby Brite Ranch, it sets in motion retaliation by bigoted Rangers and their accomplices. Soon, a day of reckoning descends, and it envelops Jack and Mary and the entire village.

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SLAUGHTER AT WOLF CREEK
A Ben Savage, Saloon Ranger Western • Book 3
William W. Johnstone and J. A. Johnstone
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS

There's a new stranger in town, and he goes by the name of Lucas Blaine. Some folks say he's the fastest gun in the West. Blaine has his sights set on a pretty widow who's staying with the wife of a Baptist preacher. No one knows what the connection is between the two, but the local sheriff isn't taking any chances. In the past, he's relied on Ben Savage to help keep Wolf Creek from becoming target practice for gunslingers. But this time, a woman is involved. And the gunslinger's about to turn Wolf Creek into a slaughterhouse.

Western | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 1, 2 & 3.

MR. SINGER'S SEAMSTRESS
A WASHINGTON TERRITORY STORY
Karla Stover

In 1883, Tacoma is barely eight years old, but Nell Tanquist believes in its future. The one thing it lacks is a dressmaking establishment, and Nell wants to fill that void. Getting started takes money — for the new Butterick patterns, fabrics, and notions, but most of all, a sewing machine. The sudden death of hotel owner Jacob Halstead provides Nell with a welcome job. From spring through summer, Nell works hard, but she also has time for picnics with friends and an exciting new romance. Then summer ends, with a serious accident and an attempted kidnapping, and Nell has to be brave enough to fight.

Frontier Fiction | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 2 & 3.

RIO HONDO
Three Rivers Trilogy • Book 3
Preston Lewis
SPUR AWARD-WINNING AUTHOR

With the embers of the Lincoln County War still burning, rancher Wes Bracken must rebuild his life. His brother-in-law vows to kill him, the county's economic kingpin seeks revenge, and the outlaw Jesse Evans intends to murder Bracken and his family. To survive and fulfill his dream of a peaceful life, Bracken must fight a corrupt legal system, a duplicitous governor, a ubiquitous political ring, and the evil Jesse Evans. If Bracken keeps his promises, he risks an early grave. If he ignores those pledges, he will dishonor the good name he hopes to build his future upon.

Western | Releases 1/18/2023 | Available in Softcover Westerns 3.
THE GOLDEN COUPLE
Greer Hendricks and Sarah Pekkanen

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS

If Avery Chambers can't fix you in 10 sessions, she won't take you on as a client. She helps people overcome everything from domineering parents to assault. Marissa and Mathew Bishop seem like the golden couple — until Marissa cheats. She wants to repair things, both because she loves her husband and for the sake of their 8-year-old son. Marissa takes a chance on this maverick therapist, who lost her license due to controversial methods. When the Bishops glide through Avery's door and Marissa reveals her infidelity, all three are set on a collision course because the biggest secrets in the room are still hidden, and it's no longer simply a marriage that's in danger.

Thriller | Releases 1/11/2023
Available in Paperback Bestsellers 2, 3 & 4.

IN FIVE YEARS
Rebecca Serle

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Where do you see yourself in five years? When Type-A Manhattan lawyer Dannie Cohan is asked this interview question, she has a meticulously crafted answer for it. Later, a newly engaged Dannie goes to sleep confident in her five-year plan. But then she wakes up in a different apartment, with a different ring, and beside a very different man. She discovers that it's 2025, five years in the future. After an intense, shocking hour, Dannie wakes again, now back in 2020. What happened felt like much more than a dream, but she is determined to ignore the odd experience — until four-and-a-half years later, when Dannie meets the very same man from her long-ago vision.

Contemporary Women | Releases 1/11/2023
Available in Paperback Bestsellers 3 & 4.

BEAUTIFUL WORLD, WHERE ARE YOU
Sally Rooney

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

Alice meets Felix and asks him if he'd like to travel to Rome with her. In Dublin, her best friend, Eileen, is getting over a break-up, and slips back into flirting with Simon, a man she has known since childhood. Alice, Felix, Eileen, and Simon are still young — but life is catching up with them. They desire each other, they delude each other, they get together, they break apart. They have sex, they worry about sex, they worry about their friendships and the world they live in. Are they standing in the last lighted room before the darkness, bearing witness to something? Will they find a way to believe in a beautiful world?

General Fiction | Releases 1/11/2023
**THE BALLAD OF NEVER AFTER**
Once Upon a Broken Heart • Book 2
Stephanie Garber

*NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER*
*INDIE NEXT PICK*

“Nonstop adventure and multiple twists will keep fans turning pages, and the will-they-won't-they nature of Jacks and Evangeline's relationship will leave readers breathless.” — School Library Journal

After Jacks, the Prince of Hearts, betrays her, Evangeline Fox swears she'll never trust him again. But when a terrifying curse is revealed, Evangeline finds herself entering into a tenuous partnership with the Prince of Hearts. Jacks isn't the only force Evangeline needs to be wary of. In fact, he might be the only one she can trust. Instead of a love spell wreaking havoc on Evangeline's life, a murderous spell has been cast. To break it, Evangeline and Jacks will have to battle with old friends, new foes, and a magic that plays with heads and hearts. Evangeline has always trusted her heart, but this time she's not sure she can.

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**OMENS BITE**
Sisters of Salem • Book 2
P.C. Cast & Kristin Cast

*NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHORS*
*USA TODAY BESTSELLING AUTHOR*

Twin sisters Mercy and Hunter are witches, descendants of the founders of their town. After the murder of their mother, they have become the protectors of the Gates to different underworlds. Rather than bringing them together, their sadness has torn them apart, driving Mercy to attempt to save the crumbling Gates without her twin and Hunter into the arms of a dangerous goddess. While Mercy looks for aid from Khenti, Guardian of the Egyptian Underworld, Hunter begins to realize the goddess she's allied with is more monster than deity. She needs her sister's help, but Mercy is beyond her reach on an adventure that could cost them everything, including their world.

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KEY PLAYER
A FRONT DESK NOVEL
Front Desk • Book 4
Kelly Yang
NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR
“A heartwarming story about living your own life fully, even in the face of obstacles.”
— starred, Kirkus Reviews
With the Women’s World Cup coming to Southern California, everyone is soccer-crazy — especially Mia Tang! The U.S. is playing China, and Mia feels like her two identities are finally coming together. Less exciting, though? Her P.E. teacher wants Mia to get out on the soccer field, too — or fall short of the grade she needs to earn a spot at journalism camp. But Mia is ready with a plan: she’ll track down the two women’s teams, interview them, and write an article for P.E. instead! It’s not so easy, though, finding professional athletes in Pasadena. She’ll have to face prejudice, discrimination, and her own fears, but if anyone can find a way to win, it’s Mia Tang!

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THE VANDERBEEKERS ON THE ROAD
The Vanderbeekers • Book 6
Karina Yan Glaser
Our beloved Harlem family is putting the VAN in Vanderbeekers as they hit the highway to give their dad the best birthday surprise EVER! The whole crew is packed and ready for a cross-country adventure. Things get off to a rocky start when the car breaks down on their way to pick up Papa. But they really veer off course when Laney discovers that Jessie and Orlando are interviewing at a college once they get to California. How can they even think about leaving New York? Wouldn’t that change their family? And how can she and her other siblings stop them?

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BLADE BREAKER
Realm Breaker • Book 2
Victoria Aveyard

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

“[Blade Breaker] builds to a nail-biting reckoning of a climax . . . Will leave readers gasping for more.” — Kirkus Reviews

Andry, a former squire, continues to fight for hope amid blood and chaos. Dom, a grieving immortal, strives to fulfill a broken oath. Sorasa, an outcast assassin, faces her past when it returns with sharpened teeth. Valtik, an old sorceress, summons a mighty power. And Corayne, a pirate's daughter with an ancient magic in her blood, steps closer to becoming the hero she's destined to be. Together they must assemble an army to face Queen Erida and Taristan's wicked forces. But something deadly waits in the shadows, something that might consume the world before there's any hope for victory.


The Summer of Bitter and Sweet
Jen Ferguson

“Brutally honest about the sexual and physical violence Native women are subjected to, this story deals with a variety of painful topics and their impact on Louise's friends and family.” — starred, School Library Journal

Lou has enough confusion in front of her this summer. She'll be working in her family's ice-cream shack with her newly ex-boyfriend and her former best friend, King, who is back in their Canadian prairie town after disappearing three years ago without a word. But when she gets a letter from her biological father — a man she hoped would stay behind bars for the rest of his life — Lou immediately knows that she cannot meet him, no matter how much he insists. While King's friendship makes Lou feel safer and warmer than she would have thought possible, when her family's business comes under threat, she soon realizes that she can't ignore her father forever.


A Rover's Story
Jasmine Warga

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

“The intelligences here may be (mostly) artificial, but the feelings are genuine and deep.” — starred, Kirkus Reviews

Meet Resilience, a Mars rover determined to live up to his name. Res was built to explore Mars. He was not built to have human emotions. But as he learns new things from the NASA scientists who assemble him, he begins to develop human-like feelings. Maybe there's a problem with his programming. Human emotions or not, launch day comes, and Res blasts off to Mars. But Res quickly discovers that Mars is a dangerous place filled with dust storms and giant cliffs. As he navigates Mars’ difficult landscape, Res is tested in ways that go beyond space exploration. As millions of people back on Earth follow his progress, will Res have the determination, courage — and resilience — to succeed and survive?

DEAD WEDNESDAY ★★★
Jerry Spinelli

INDIE NEXT PICK

"With a macabre premise, this is a solid read about finding one's voice, standing up for oneself, and inner confidence." — School Library Journal

On Dead Wednesday, every eighth grader in Amber Springs is assigned the name and identity of a teenager who died a preventable death in the past year. The kids don black shirts and for the whole day everyone in town pretends they're invisible — as if they weren't even there. The adults think it will make them contemplate their mortality. The kids know it's a free pass to get away with anything. Worm Tarnauer feels invisible every day, so he's not expecting Dead Wednesday to feel that different. But he didn't count on being assigned Becca Finch (17, car crash). And he certainly didn't count on Becca showing up to boss him around! Letting this girl into his head is about to change everything.

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RESTART ★★
Gordon Korman

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER

"A fresh approach to the familiar topic of bullying, kept credible by believable characters and events, with typical Korman humor and just the right touch of mystery." — starred, School Library Journal

Chase doesn't remember falling off the roof. He doesn't remember hitting his head. He doesn't, in fact, remember anything. He wakes up in a hospital room and suddenly has to learn his whole life all over again . . . starting with his own name. He knows he's Chase. But who is Chase? When he gets back to school, he sees that different kids have very different reactions to his return. Some kids treat him like a hero. Some kids are clearly afraid of him. One girl in particular is so angry with him that she pours her frozen yogurt on his head the first chance she gets. Pretty soon, it's not only a question of who Chase is — it's a question of who he was . . . and who he's going to be.

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ZACHARY YING AND THE DRAGON EMPEROR
Zachary Ying • Book 1
Xiran Jay Zhao

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER
INDIE NEXT PICK

"This new series will grab readers with its dynamic plot, video game lingo, and relatable characters." — School Library Journal

Zachary Ying is woefully unprepared when he discovers he was born to host the spirit of the First Emperor of China for a vital mission: sealing the leaking portal to the Chinese underworld before the upcoming Ghost Month blows it wide open. The mission takes a wrong turn when the First Emperor botches his attempt to possess Zack's body. Now, Zack must journey across China to heist magical artifacts and defeat figures from history and myth, all while learning to wield the emperor's incredible water dragon powers. And if Zack can't finish the mission in time, the spirits of the underworld will flood into the mortal realm.

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WITHOUT A TRACE
Danielle Steel

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLING AUTHOR

Charles Vincent seems to have it all, but his marriage is loveless and his job is simply a paycheck. His life changes forever one night as he drives along the Normandy coast and falls asleep at the wheel. He veers off the road, plunging down a rocky cliff. Miraculously, Charles survives. He climbs to safety, walking until he finds a cabin. He meets the kind and beautiful Aude Saint-Martin, who nurses him back to health. Charles discovers the passion he's been missing and realizes he doesn't have to go back. When his car is discovered, he'll be presumed dead, washed away at sea. If he stays with Aude, he has a chance at a fuller, happier life that he didn't know was possible. It seems too good to resist. But Aude has secrets of her own, and before long their pasts catch up to them, threatening everything they have fought to build.

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When Alice receives a call about an unexpected windfall, she's stunned to learn the gift is a falling-apart-at-the-seams old Wild West B&B she once considered home — and she's inherited it along with her ex-BFF Lauren and the only guy to ever break her heart, Knox. Their lives are unknowingly entangled because they once separately helped the same woman. Now, they must renovate and be partners in the inn for one year or else lose their inheritance. Stuck together, they make a list of rules to keep the peace — rules that end up doing the opposite, but by some miracle they find what they didn't even know they were looking for — acceptance, true friendship, and in a case (or two!), true love.

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EVERYONE IN MY FAMILY HAS KILLED SOMEONE
A NOVEL
Benjamin Stevenson

Ernie Cunningham, a teacher and crime fiction aficionado, is a reluctant guest at a family reunion. Three years ago, after he witnessed his brother, Michael, kill a man, he immediately turned him in. This was a betrayal no one in his crime family could forgive. But now they are gathered at a mountain resort to welcome Michael back after his release from prison. When a body is found frozen on the slopes, most assume the man died of hypothermia, but Ern and his step-sister Sofia learn that the man's airways are clogged with ash. He appears to have died by fire — in a pristine snowfield without a single burn mark on him. With the local police overwhelmed by the death of the man no one can identify, Ernie begins his own investigation. With the death having the same MO as an at-large serial killer, it's up to Ern to discover the truth.

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Elinor Lipman

*New York Times Bestselling Author*

Jane Morgan is a valued member of her law firm — or was, until a prudish neighbor observes her having sex on the roof of her NYC apartment building. Police are summoned, and a punishing judge sentences her to six months of home confinement. With Jane now jobless and trapped at home, life looks bleak. Yes, her twin sister provides support and advice, but mostly of the unwelcome kind. When a doorman lets slip that Jane isn’t the only resident wearing an ankle monitor, she strikes up a friendship with fellow white-collar felon Perry Salisbury. As she tries to adapt to life within her apartment walls, she discovers she hasn’t heard the end of that tattletale neighbor, whose own past isn’t as decorous as her 9-1-1 snitching would suggest.


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**Age of Vice**

Deepti Kapoor

New Delhi, 3 a.m. A speeding Mercedes jumps the curb and kills five people. It’s a rich man’s car, but when the dust settles there is no rich man, just a shell-shocked servant who cannot explain the strange series of events that led to the crime. In the shadow of lavish estates, extravagant parties, predatory business deals and calculated political influence, three lives become dangerously intertwined: Ajay is the watchful servant, born into poverty, who rises through the family’s ranks. Sunny is the playboy heir who dreams of outshining his father. And Neda is the curious journalist caught between morality and desire. Against a plot fueled by loss, pleasure, greed, yearning, violence, and revenge, will these characters’ connections become a path to escape, or a trigger of further destruction?

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**Lady Whistledown Strikes Back**

Julia Quinn, Karen Hawkins, Suzanne Enoch and Mia Ryan

*USA Today Bestselling Author*

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Claire Douglas

*New York Times Bestselling Author*

In a rural town in southwest England lies the Devil’s Corridor, a haunted road which has witnessed eerie happenings. But nothing is more puzzling than the Olivia Rutherford case. Four girls were driving home. After their car crashed only one — Olivia — was found. What happened to the girls who disappeared? On the 20th anniversary of the tragedy, journalist Jenna Halliday has arrived to cover the case. The locals aren’t happy with this outsider determined to dig into the past. Least of all Olivia. Soon, Jenna starts receiving menacing notes. The locals have made it clear she’s not welcome. But someone is going to make her leave one way or another. Jenna’s been warned: she must get out of this town before she suffers a dark fate . . . and becomes another mystery attached to this place.


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